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PRELIMINARY HEARING, MANSLAUGHTER CASE

Evidence of Four Witnesses Go To Show Affair Was An Accident

The preliminary enquiry of the case of Percy George Felham Hunter, of Eastway, charged with the manslaughter of Charles Gordon Thomas, storekeeper of Eastway, came up before J. A. Lindsay, J. P., at the A.P. Barracks on Saturday afternoon.

The accused reserved his defence. H. J. Maher appeared for the defence. The witnesses called were Elbert Spiller, Eastway; Henry Willard, Queenstown; Dr. Knowles, Vulcan, and M. P. Marshall, Eastway.

The evidence of Spiller was to the effect that he, together with Willard and Hunter, left Vulcan for Eastway in Willard's car at about eleven o'clock on the night of December 17. The journey was broken several times and Willard and Hunter took whiskey from a bottle. Eastway was reached at about half past one in the morning and Willard stopped the car at the store kept by Thomas, saying that he was going in to get something to eat. Willard called Thomas, and Spiller delivered some flour to Mr. M. P. Marshall, whose house was about 75 yards away. On his return, Spiller entered the store and Thomas was opening some tins of sardines. Spiller was invited to eat some supper. The men stood around talking for about 45 minutes. Willard and Hunter were arguing about saddle horses, and witness stated that there were no signs of Hunter being angry during the argument. Thomas was behind the counter during the greater part of the argument. Toward the end of it he walked round the end of the counter toward the stove, passing behind Hunter as he did so, and shaking him playfully by the arm. When at the stove he asked Hunter to pass him a knife which Hunter had had in his hand for about five minutes, playing with it and tapping it on the counter. "George, give me that knife" was what Thomas said. Hunter laughed, and pointed the knife at Thomas, pushing it toward him, and Thomas stepped back. Thomas then stepped forward and reached as if to take hold of the knife. As he made this attempt Hunter repeated the former motion with the knife as when he was asked for it in the first instance. The men were closer together in the second instance. Thomas seemed to receive a knife wound, which, the witness thought at first, was in the abdomen. Thomas threw his hands above his head, knocking the stove pipe down, and then brought his hands to his groin. Thomas said "Oh," two or three times, and reeled back, obviously weakening. Hunter then seemed to realize for the first time that he had struck Thomas with the knife. He reached down and placed the knife in a pasteboard box by the counter and then rushed forward to catch Thomas and steady him, at the same time saying "Charlie, I did not intend to hit you," or words to that effect. Hunter caught hold of Thomas while the witness ran for Mr. M. P. Marshall, and was not away for five minutes. When he returned with Marshall, Hunter was sitting on the floor with Thomas' head and shoulders in his lap. Thomas appeared to be dead. While waiting for the doctor, who had been phoned for, about half an hour, Hunter said he could not stay where he was as he realized that Thomas was dead. He grieved considerably on realizing what he had done. "God knows, Charlie, I did not intend to hurt you," he said. Witness stated it as his firm belief that Hunter did not strike Thomas intentionally. The knife was not raised beyond the level of the counter. The blow was not dealt hurriedly, but playfully. A knife was produced in court, which witness swore was similar to one he had seen in Hunter's hands. The knife had been used by Thomas to cut some cheese for the late lunch.

Henry Willard on being called gave practically the same evidence as Spiller in regard to reaching the Eastway store, and going in to have something to eat. He admitted having taken whiskey into the store but could not say that everybody there had some of

SGT-MAJOR McCULLOUGH WILL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Sgt.-Major Hugh McCullough will be home for his Christmas dinner, and his relatives in this district are among the most pleased people in the world at the prospect of having him with them after his being at the war ever since it started.

Sgt.-Major McCullough enlisted as a private in the 10th Battalion and went overseas in the Fall of 1914. He has been in the war ever since. Four times wounded, the last time at Vimy Ridge, he received word that he was granted three months leave to Canada just before the final Hindenburg drive started, but he was held on account of that drive, which took place in March of this year. He was afterwards called to report for leave at Plymouth on November 10th, and he eventually came through to Canada on that leave.

At present Sgt.-Major McCullough is visiting his sister, Mrs. Bricker, in Lethbridge in which city he arrived on Saturday night. He went on from there to Blackie on Tuesday evening and there will join his family. Mr. Blake McCullough of Vulcan is a brother, and is going to join in the party of welcome, tickled to death to have his brother back again. Sgt.-Major McCullough will be around Blackie and Vulcan for the next two weeks.

Marshall asked him to go out to Eastway store as Thomas was hurt by a cut below the beltline. On reaching Eastway store he found Thomas lying dead in a pool of blood, and on examination found on his neck a wound about an inch in length over the common femoral artery; the artery was cut. Thomas must have died in less than two minutes after it was inflicted. Witness saw Hunter in the store and asked how it happened; Hunter was lamenting the accident. Witness suggested to Hunter that he go home and rest. Dr. Knowles said that the cause of death was the cutting of the common femoral artery. He gathered from Hunter that the affair was an accident. The deceased was wearing trousers and drawers, and it was quite possible that a knife, handled playfully, could penetrate the clothing worn, and the overlying tissues. He argued with Hunter about saddle horses; it was a continuation of the argument commenced in the car on the way out, and was not a quarrel. The first that witness knew of Thomas being hurt was when he staggered back; and he knew that the man was badly hurt when he fell to the floor. He did not remember having seen the knife thrust forward, but he had seen it in the store that night. Hunter acknowledged that he had hurt Thomas. Hunter was sitting on the floor holding Thomas, and saying: "You know, Charlie, I never meant to hurt you" or words to that effect. Witness admitted that he and Hunter were under the influence of liquor. He did not see the knife in Hunter's hand before the wound was inflicted. Dr. Knowles of Vulcan, the next witness, said that he had a telephone call at half past two o'clock on Wednesday morning, December 18th. Mr. sufficiently to cut the artery. Thomas was a man of spare build.

M. P. Marshall of Eastway, testified to being called by Spiller at about half past two o'clock on the morning of December 18th. Spiller was perfectly sober. Willard asked him to phone for help as Thomas was dying. He saw Hunter sitting on the floor with Thomas' head and shoulders resting in his lap. He asked how the accident had happened, and Hunter, in answer to Spiller, said that he did it. Witness said that Thomas was dead when he arrived at the store.

At the conclusion of the evidence his worship committed Hunter to Lethbridge there to await trial at the next court sitting in Calgary.

BAIL HAS BEEN ALLOWED

P. G. E. Hunter has been allowed bail to the amount of \$10,000, one surety of \$10,000 on himself and two sureties of \$5,000 each.

Mr. A. J. Flood was a visitor to Edmonton last week.

Irvin S. Cobb is America's greatest humorist. Do not miss his lecture on January 24th: "My recent experiences on the fighting front in France and Flanders."

1918 CHRISTMAS: NEW YEAR 1919

Once again Christmas is here; Christmas with its message of Hope, of Goodwill and Peace. At such a time as this, with the great war ended and the world preparing for the results of the victory which will come from the Peace Conference, we may well give thanks and rejoice that the great struggle is over and that the cause of the Allies has triumphed. It is, indeed, a great thing that Christmas and Peace should come together, for the one is so much akin to the other.

But in all our thankfulness and rejoicing let us not forget that there are many thousands of people all over the world whose Christmas time this year will be saddened by memory; they will drink of the cup of bitterness again in the recollection that somewhere on the battlefield a life they loved has been laid down on the altar of love and devotion to a worthy cause. No message of Peace and Christmas can bring the once glad fire into those hearts which mourn the fallen; their lives are dimmed by the shadow of a great sorrow.

And so, the world rejoicing the victory and yet mourning the fallen, the old year goes, and the New Year comes. The soldiers who fought through four Christmas days have

done their part in a spirit of noble sacrifice and incomparable duty. For four years the struggle was one for the soldier; the year 1919 brings the struggle for the civilian. Now it is time for us to take up the burden of all the new problems calling to us, our task to fulfil the sacrifice of the fallen and cement the duty of the hero.

How will we do it? If we fail in our duty then the war was lost and the sacrifice of countless lives was in vain. We must not fail; ours the task through the New Year and succeeding years to make life happier and brighter, to stand, every man together, shoulder to shoulder, in an endeavour to make the world a better place to live in and to die in. The age of brotherhood is ours, the age of helpfulness and co-operation toward a better standard of citizenship, that we achieve a higher national entity and ambition. The year 1919 is ours to demonstrate that we are capable of carrying on the work so magnificently commemorated on every battlefield by our soldiers. If we do this then the sacrifice of untold life and treasure will not have been in vain, and those whose loved ones lie in "Flanders Fields" will be the happier in the knowledge of the sorrow that is theirs.

A POPULAR YOUNG LADY "SHOWED"

A merry party was held at the home of Mrs. Travis on Wednesday evening, the 18th inst., when about twenty of Miss Eva Yeo's friends assembled there and gave her a genuine surprise in the form of a miscellaneous shower. The various packages of different shapes and sizes, upon being opened, disclosed very dainty gifts of hand-painted china, needle and crochet work. Miss Yeo, although taken completely by surprise, very gracefully thanked the young ladies for their pretty gifts. The evening was then spent in music, instrumental and vocal, readings and other original forms of entertainment. Refreshments of a very palatable order were served, the party dispersing about midnight, after having sung "For she's a jolly good fellow" and wishing Miss Yeo the best of good luck and happiness for the future. Those present were: Mrs. Reed, the Misses Levington, Misses Fair, Hoffman, Mason, Davis, Nixon, Bickford, Carruthers, Jarrett, Thomas, Smith, Rennals, McClement, Glidden, Lawrence, Marshall Stone, Yeo, Travis and MacLellan.

LOCAL U. F. A. ANNUAL MEET.

The annual meeting of the Vulcan branch of the U.F.A. will be held on Saturday on this week at the Opera House at two o'clock. The meeting is for the election of officers, the hearing of reports, and other business and a full attendance of members is earnestly requested.

MCBRIDE WINS RED X HORSE

The horse which was donated to the Red Cross Society, by Mr. John M. Love was raffled, \$200 being raised. The drawing took place at the Vulcan Post Office on Saturday, Miss Huffman drawing the winning number 164. The owner of the ticket was Henry McBride.

In addition to the \$200, the Society acknowledge a donation of \$1.00 from Mr. A. M. Ferris.

LOCAL HOLIDAY DANCES

The holiday season would not be complete without its quota of dances, and to meet the demand Mr. G. Meyer is running two dances at the Opera House, one on Christmas Eve and one on New Year's night. The music for both dances will be rendered by Klebe's orchestra. The same orchestra will play for dances at Barons on Christmas night and at Lethbridge on New Year's eve.

Mr. McIvor of the Bank of Hamilton staff returned from the coast to Vulcan on Sunday night.

Mr. H. J. Maher was a business visitor to Calgary on Monday of this week.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM CAPTAIN CARSON

Captain G. M. Carson has written an interesting letter dated Nov. 11th, from the front to a friend in Vulcan, of which the following is an extract: "I have had a very easy time all Summer, but frequently punctuated by shell fire. We joined in the great push almost two months ago, and have had a very interesting time since then. Battle followed battle quite quickly, always with the same result."

"About September 20th we began to get into a country which showed signs of once having houses, and conditions rapidly improved, and we now find towns fairly intact. This is a very important consideration on account of shelter and rest for the troops."

"We still usually sleep in the cellars as we have not yet become immune to shell fire. Hun airplanes have been very scarce of late, but whether from lack of petrol or on account of the weather we do not know. Our boys have been very hard worked, but still fit and full of vim."

"With the siege artillery the advance consists of jumps of various lengths, but usually about 5,000 yards. One day we are in a position probably 1,000 or 1,500 yards from the front and the next day be out of range. We have a large number of canals to cross, and as the Huns destroy the bridges it is a tedious job, and has saved him from a complete route. Then, he also blows up the roads, which hinders traffic considerably, and he has had so much practice that he is almost perfect in that branch of war."

"With these conditions associated with mud and rain, why life is certainly one darned thing after another. Transportation is a terrible proposition, and moving the Vulcan wheat crop is not a patch to traffic here; you would wonder where it was all going."

"Our casualties in our Brigade have been very light, and I think at present all our troops are getting away with very few casualties. We have our ups and downs as usual; one day in a college, the next in a chateau, and when we finally settle it will be in a chateau. "We are looking now for an armistice any day. In fact, it was announced, (unofficially) yesterday that the white flag was on the way to the western front. If it was not for the loss of so many good men and the destruction of property, we would like to see German territory."

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. W. E. Swartz of Ensign has left for Portland, Ore. His present intentions are to stay there for the winter, but it is dependent on circumstances as to whether he will lengthen his stay after that.

Miss Eva Yeo has resigned her position on the Post Office staff and leaves tomorrow for her home at Foremost, Alta., where she is to be one of the principals in an interesting event in the near future.

Owing to the Rev. A. R. Schrag being a victim of influenza, the pulpit of the Vulcan Church was occupied by the Rev. Elgin Brough of Reid Hill, on Sunday evening. Mr. Brough preached most acceptably on a subject relating to Christmas. There was no service in the morning.

Miss Edna Smith formerly Stenographer at the Bank of Hamilton here left on Thursday for her home at Donald, Alta., to spend the winter.

The interment of the late C. G. Thomas of Eastway was held, pending word being received from a brother resident at North Range, Digby, N.S. Constable Walker wired to North Range last week notifying the brother of the affair, but up to Monday had received no answer.

A very successful novelty dance was given by Harry Nelson at the High River Opera House last Wednesday evening at which a number of young people from Vulcan were present. The music was supplied by Klebe's Vulcan orchestra. The local musical aggregation are doing a lot of playing for local dances, playing at High River, Blackie, Barons and Lethbridge. Their fame is becoming noised abroad and they are attracting very favourable attention.

INQUEST ON DEATH OF C. G. THOMAS

Jury Return Verdict of Feloniously Killing; Score Liquor Laws

On the afternoon of Wednesday last Dr. O. Brown, coroner, held an inquest over the body of C. G. Thomas, of Eastway, who had been killed at Eastway early that morning. The inquest was held at the home of Mr. M. P. Marshall, Eastway.

The jurors empaneled were T. B. Lebow, Jas. McCutcheon, E. E. MacIntosh, W. H. McPherson, Rev. A. R. Schrag, and F. L. Simington. Mr. Schrag was appointed foreman of the jury.

After having been duly sworn to bring in a verdict as to how, when and where the said C. G. Thomas came to his death, the jurors adjourned to the store, where the body lay, to view the remains. On returning to the house after viewing the body, the jurors heard the evidence of E. Spiller, M. P. Marshall and Henry Willard. The facts brought out were in the main as will be found stated elsewhere in this issue. After a short deliberation the jury adjourned to meet that night at the A.P.P. Barracks, Vulcan.

At that meeting, after discussion of the facts, a further adjournment was made until Thursday night at the same place. On that night Spiller, Marshall and Willard were again examined, but no further light was thrown on the subject. Dr. Knowles and J. M. Marshall were also heard. After hearing all the evidence, the room was cleared of all but the jurors and at one o'clock on the following morning, the jury brought in a verdict to the effect that Charles Gordon Thomas came to his death on the 18th day of December, at Eastway, and that Percy George Felham Hunter, of Queenstown, did feloniously and unlawfully kill the said Charles Gordon Thomas by stabbing with a knife, as and under manslaughter; and further the jury believes that this tragedy is an outcome of the laxity of the administration of the Alberta Liquor Act, and strongly recommends an inquiry into this particular case, and into bootlegging in this district.

MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MARQUIS, No. 157

The ninth regular meeting of the council of the Municipal District of Marquis, met at the Lake McGregor School House on Saturday, December 7th, 1918.

The following members of the council were present: Reeve Sinclair, councillors Ebbe, Shauldice, Brodriek and Macomber.

Moved by Mr. Sinclair that Department of Public Work letter file No. 22645-8224 be tabled until the first meeting of the new council. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that V. L. Glazier's bill amounting to \$27.40 be reduced \$11.00.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that the Municipality forward W. J. Jackson sec-treas. of the Alberta Ass'n of L. I. Dist and R-M's the sum of ten dollars as a membership fee.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that the report of the financial committee be sanctioned.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that the Municipality keep in touch with the Department of Indian Affairs re the amount expended by the Municipality on road work in 20-21-4; and in case that the same is assessed to apply for re-embursement, covering the amount expended by the Municipality on road work in 21-21-4; and in the case that the same is assessed to apply for re-embursement, covering the amount expended. Dept. Public Work's file No. 10203.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that the Secretary write Mr. Kuhn re the road south side of 8-19-23-4, stating that there seems to be considerable objection to the closing of the road north of 8-19-23-4, and it would seem that it desires a road opened south side of 8, that he had better make his own arrangements, and be liable for the upkeep of same.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that Mr. Brodriek be authorized to have the scraper repaired that was broken by the Municipality, and render the Municipality.

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CHRISTMAS 1918

After spending four Christmas days
under the cloud of a war, the world
welcomes the present Christmas time
with its everlasting message of peace
and good will. It has all happened so
appropriately, so it seems, for the
sudden cessation of hostilities came
just in time for people to become ac-
customed to the approach of Christ-
mas. And what a Christmas it will
be in those lands where war and the
labor of war have been the controlling
factors for so long. With what joy
the people can step aside from their
pre-occupied state and give thanks and
rejoicings in the knowledge that the
message of Peace and Goodwill finds
the world waiting for the consumma-
tion of that promise. Verily it seems
that the Star in the East has risen
again to lead men to a new Hope, and
a bright future. The coming of Peace
as the world, after two thousand years
to realize the message and strive to
bring about that promise, making it
an assured fact? It is a big hope. "Un-
less ye accept the Kingdom of Peace
as a little child ye shall in no wise
enter therein." The same message to-
day as then; mankind must adopt the
spirit of humility.

Apply this theory so often errone-
ously made individualistic, to nations
and it would fulfil the prophecy. Thus
in broad and simple outline, we have
the spirit to be adopted by the nations
at the Peace Conference if the Christ-
mas of 1918 is to see the foundations
of universal peace laid in concrete
form.

But nations have had a way of being
individualistic, as witness the war
and devotion of Germany through and
the person of the kaiser. It has al-
ways been that sort of thing that led
to war and intrigue. Fortunately,
there are signs that individual rule is
past. From every country there is
arising the strength of the people.
Perhaps it is newly formed and
speaks in the spirit of revolution or
perhaps it is of stranger growth, but
even then it appears demanding a ful-
ler right for the people with a greater
responsibility and voice in affairs.
All over the world there is the same
strong move forward toward popular
rule by the popular voice. And it
cannot be denied for when the people
speak they speak in no uncertain
voice. The world is rapidly moving
forward to a regime of democratic
rule.

And in that movement one sees the
beginning of the fulfilment of the age-
old message, for people who select
their own governments and manage
their own affairs will not be blindly
led to battlefields on the leadstrings
of autocratic selfseekers. Instead they
will inherit the earth, which, without
war, is the kingdom of Peace. No
brighter Christmas than this of 1918
ever dawned for mankind. Herod is
dead and there are none among us
who may slay the children of peace.
The Christmas of today and of future
years rests in the hands of the people;
may the opportunity of making this
Christmas the first Christmas of defi-
nite peace not be lost.

**WHAT ABOUT A
WAR MEMORIAL?**

Some little time ago the Advocate
brought forward the idea of a mem-
orial to commemorate the deeds and
sacrifice of the men from this district
who went to the war. Although we
have had two or three speak commend-
ingly of the idea no general response
is apparent.

Now it is a fact that if we have any
estimation whatever of what the men
who turned soldiers we must show it
in some tangible manner. If we do
not, then, as the years go by, our
memory of the men and what they
did for us will pass away and we will
have no connection with a past which
has its glories and its honour for the
district. There will be nothing in the
district to remind the new settler or
the growing children that Vulcan
played its part in the war; and eventu-
ally it will be forgotten that there
ever was a war in which our ideals
were at stake. If there is anything
in this world which ought to be kept
in mind it is that fact. Quite apart
from the duty of our recognition of
what our local soldiers have done

there is the idea of perpetuating the
memory of the war on principle and
the latter point we owe to ourselves
and the coming generation.

Many of the centres have the mat-
ter under grave consideration, and
suggestions range from beds in hospi-
tals and libraries to monuments, and
it is quite time that some lead was
given here. The council might well
consider making the first move.

THE "SPARTACUS" GROUP

Some readers may be puzzled to
know why Karl Liebknecht and the
coterie of German Bolsheviks who de-
sire to abolish private property and
wipe out all existing institutions, not
merely in the Fatherland, but in Allied
countries as well, call themselves the
"Spartacus group." It is a high-flown
classical allusion based on the rising
of Spartacus the Gladiator in 73 B.C.
Spartacus was a Thracian, one of the
many foreigners from all parts of Eu-
rope who were enlisted in the Roman
legions. He deserted from the army,
and on his capture was subjected to
the usual penalty of being sold as a
slave. Because of his splendid phys-
ique, he was destined for the arena,
and was sent to the training school
for gladiators at Capua. He escaped
with others, including two able Celtic
lieutenants, who were also gladiators.
Taking refuge on Mount Vesuvius, he
set up in business a brigand, and
many escaped soldiers and slaves
joined his forces. There he embark-
ed on the famous project of freeing
all the slaves of the Roman public,
setting up a proletarian regime.

He was so far successful, that in a
year or so he was in entire control of
Southern Italy. Had he been able to
induce his army to leave the soil of
that country he could have obtained
mastery of the outlying regions of
Gaul and Germania also, where he
would have been welcomed. After
defying some of the best Roman gen-
erals for two years, defections in his
ranks wrecked his prospects, and
he was finally defeated in 71 B.C. by
Pompey the Great. For many years
thereafter his name was one of ter-
ror to the Romans who had been in
deadly fear of being ruled or destroy-
ed by their former slaves.

Spartacus was true Bolshevik, how-
ever, because Sallust credits him with
having been humane toward prisoners
and given to severely punishing excess
by his army. Your true Bolshevik is
out for murder and loot. Liebknecht,
who poses as the modern Spartacus,
no doubt, bases the analogy on his
scheme to free the "wage-slaves" of
the world, through a combination of
workers and deserting soldiers. But
it is doubtful whether he is as big a
man as Spartacus, nor is humanity
any more willing to be Bolsheviked
today than it was in 71 B. C.—Sat-
urday Night.

OUR WAR EXPENDITURE

The Minister of Finance has for-
warded to the Government full parti-
culars as to the war expenditure of
Canada, and as to the annual pension
burden which will result from the
war. The total expenditure of Cana-
da is estimated at one billion and sixty
eight million dollars to Nov. 30. To
the 31st of March next it is estimated
at one billion two hundred and ninety
millions.

To this estimate should be added
the amount of war outlay which will
be incurred after March 31, 1919,
which may exceed three hundred mil-
lion dollars. The pension load is es-
timated at thirty million dollars per
year, and probably more. Canada's
net debt at March 31, 1914 was three
hundred and thirty-six millions. The
net debt to March 31, 1919, is estimat-
ed at one billion and a half.

In addition to the above, Canada
will have a large claim for indirect or
consequential damages, as well as
those arising out of the raids of Ger-
man submarines upon Canadian fish-
ing vessels.

A Merry Christmas to all our read-
ers in Canada, England and the Uni-
ted States.

New Zealand is to have a referen-
dum on prohibition. If it passes let
us hope that prohibition is the result
and not the miserable, half-hearted,
go-as-you-please system we have here.

An independent political party is
to be formed in Alberta. To be suc-
cessful it must embrace all trades
and callings. It is what is wanted in
our political life.

Just now it seems that Germany is
busy trying to make a choice between
about 150 different brands of socia-
lism. It will add to the joy of life
when some decision is made.

The vote for a municipal hospital at
Drumheller shows a large majority
in favor of it, which reminds us that
Vulcan and district have an idea of a
municipal hospital for the district if it
ever gets started.

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proving to be of any value, it is that it has
brought seriously to the minds of the people
the necessity of sensible homes.

We do not mean big palatial houses, with
many frills both inside and out, although
they have the place with the man or woman
who can afford them. The larger point, how-
ever, is in the responsibility towards wives
and children in providing them with a sun-
ny, well-built, well ventilated and consequ-
ently healthy home.

We have plans and specifications of scores
of houses, besides barns, henhouses, cattle
sheds, hogpens. Our agents are trained to
take care of your needs in every line of build-
ing materials and to render you the service.

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Christmas", and we are yours for a brighter
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Wealth, and Happiness

VULCAN - - ALBERTA

MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MARQUIS

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icpality an account covering same.
Moved by Mr. Shouldice that the
Reeve inquire into the matter of the
deportation of one Mrs. H. Nelson.
Moved by Mr. Macomber that all
Milo hospital bills be proportioned
among the patients receiving benefit
thereof.

Moved by Mr. Shouldice that Mac-
omber and Sinclair be and hereby are
appointed delegates to attend the
Convention of the Alberta Ass'n of
Local Improvement Districts and Ru-
ral Municipalities to be held in Cal-
gary, February 5th, 6th and 7th.

Moved by Macomber that the seat
in the council of H. Deitz, be and
hereby is declared vacant.

Moved by Macomber that the re-
numeration of the 1918 council be set
as follows:

Reeve, \$4.00 per meeting, plus 10c
per mile.

Councillors, \$3.00 per meeting and
10c per mile.

Supervision of work, \$3.00 per day
and 10c per mile.

Moved by Mr. Sinclair that a per-
manent road be declared around the
hill on the S-W 1/4 8-18-22-4.

Moved by Mr. Brodrick that Mr.
Sinclair be and hereby is appointed a
committee to look after the renum-
eration covering the diversion section
6-18-23-4.

Moved by Mr. Shouldice that the
nominating meeting of the 1919 coun-
cillors be held in the Lake McGregor
School house.

Moved by Mr. Shouldice that Chas.
Houghtelin be and hereby is appointed
the Returning Officer covering the
election of the 1919 councillors.

Moved by Mr. Sinclair that the fol-
lowing be declared the polling places
covering the 1919 election of coun-
cillors.

No. 1, Home of Edward Synge,
No. 2, Sunny Glen School House,
No. 3, Home of D. McWhinnie,
No. 5, Home of G. C. House,
No. 6, East Arrowwood School
house.

Moved by Mr. Shouldice that the
following be declared the Deputy
Returning officer's for the different
polls.

No. 1, Edward Synge,
No. 2, J. F. Shofner,
No. 3, Frances Baden,
No. 4, Louis Aasgard,
No. 5, A. E. Stirling,
No. 6, Luther Shatto.

Moved by Mr. Sinclair that the De-
puty Returning Officer be paid the
sum of 10c per mile both ways, for
the delivery of the ballot boxes to the
Returning Officer. This in addition
to the usual compensation.

Moved by Mr. Sinclair that the Sec-
retary interview the Health Officer of
the Municipality, and ascertain if it is
possible to reopen certain schools, es-
pecially those where the Spanish In-
fluenza has disappeared.

Moved by Mr. Macomber that the
Secretary write the Canada Land &
Irrigation Company relative to the
dangerous condition of the bridge
across irrigation canal south of sec-
tion 1-19122-4.

Moved that the next meeting of the
council be held in the Lake McGregor
School House, Saturday, January 11,
1919. Hour 1 o'clock p. m.



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ESTRAYS

ESTRAY—On S-W 16-16-24-4, 2 bay mares, with buckskin halters on; one has white star and the other has white stripe on face. S. W. Caldwell, Vulcan, Alta. 20-3p.

BRAND CARD—The undersigned will thankfully any information regarding stock carrying the following brands

on left hip on left rib.
on right hip

HORSES

on left shoulder on left thigh
J. L. Butler, P.O. Box 123, Gleichen, Alberta.

ESTRAY—On S-E 32-17-25-4, 1 1/2 miles east of Ensign, one bay horse, branded on left shoulder. L. E. Elton. Ensign, Alberta. 21-3p.

STRAYED ANIMALS—One red yearling heifer, mullie; one red heifer with horns, no brands visible, on Charlie Johnson's place, Kirkcaldy, Alta. One Jersey cow, two or three years old, branded on left hip. One black heifer calf, white face, four white feet, eight or ten months old, no visible brands. One red cow, branded on left hip and on left hip on section 33-15-23 west of the 4th meridian. Treadaway & Willis, Champion, Alta.

ESTRAY—On 35-16-23-4, two small bay geldings, bob tailed, each has three white feet, branded K in diamond on right thigh. J. C. Warden, Vulcan. 19-3c.

ESTRAY—On the S-E 16-18-24-4, John Fulton's farm, one bay gelding, branded on left shoulder; white face, four white legs; wt. 1200, aged 3 years old. Geo. Todd, Vulcan. 20-3c.

ESTRAY—On N-W 10-20-24-4, Thos. A. Kelly's farm, one bay gelding on left thigh branded wt. 1300. Geo. Todd, Vulcan. 20-3c.

ESTRAY—1 Clyde mare, 4 years old, wt. about 1600, branded on left shoulder. 1 dark iron grey mare, 2 years old, no brand. Scar on one hind leg. Stray from J. A. Smith's farm, west of Vulcan. Reward. Please notify Mr. J. A. Smith, Vulcan. 8-1f.

ESTRAY—Horses branded on right shoulder. Reward for return. Notify R. Gervais, High River. 1f.

ESTRAY—From S-W 10-17-24-4, one brown mare, white star on forehead, 6 years old, branded JL on right thigh. Reward. L. A. Dowling, Vulcan. 18-3p.

ESTRAY—12 head of cattle, branded on right hip. Last seen about Sept. 15, near Bow River. \$20.00 reward for information leading to recovery. J. O. Kindt, Nanton, Alberta. P. O. Box 187, Phone R804. 21-3t.

TO RENT—Furnished cottage for the winter months. Well situated, every convenience, moderate rent. Apply Arthur Mitchell & Co. 1f.

LOST—A team of bay geldings, three and four years old, branded. Anyone seeing or hearing of them please notify by letter. Jarvis Cleson, Pibroch, Alta. 19-11p.

LOST—On Friday, December 10th, in Vulcan, a man's silver Waltham watch, with Maple Leaf fob attached. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to C. H. Bearcroft, Vulcan, 21-3 FOR SALE—Plymouth Rock Cockerels, Ross Wallace strain. Phone R610, Vulcan, Alberta. 21-3p.

RANCHES FOR SALE—I have several ranches for sale West of Stavely and Nanton, ranging in size from three-quarters of Section to eighteen Sections and in price from \$20.00 to \$35.00 per acre. One ranch has nine sections of lease another fourteen sections. Three of the ranches are up to date fully equipped with the best water in abundance. If interested apply Box 10, Nanton, Alberta, or phone 106, Nanton, Alta. 15-4c.

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Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims on the estate of the said Harry Swartz who died on the 3rd of December A. D. 1918, are required to file with the undersigned by the 31st January, 1919 a full statement, duly verified, of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the Administrator of the Estate will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed, or come to his knowledge.

Dated at Calgary, this 16th day of December A. D. 1918.
H. J. Maher, Solicitor for the Administrator, Vulcan, Alta. 21-3c

\$10.00 reward will be paid for the recovery of a black and white Holstein cow, bob tailed; no brand, dehorned. W. A. Bell, Armada. 22-4p.

CATTLE WANTED—About 200 head of two or three-year old steers wanted. Would also consider a mixed lot of cattle. J. Tompion, High River, or Flood, Whicher & Elves, Vulcan, Alta. 22-2f.

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